

**2022**  
**MONTH OF OVERSEAS FILIPINOS**

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# **ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT**

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# I. BACKGROUND



The annual celebration of the Month of Overseas Filipinos started with President Corazon Aquino issuing Proclamation No. 276 in 1988 which institutionalized the month-long celebration every December. This is in recognition of the significant contributions of overseas Filipinos to Philippine development and the restoration of Philippine democracy.

The United Nations General Assembly proclaimed December 18 each year as International Migrants Day on 4 December 2000. On the important date, all member-states, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, will commence the occasion and disseminate information regarding the fundamental rights and freedom of migrants.

An Inter-Agency Committee for the Celebration of the Month of Overseas Filipinos and International Migrants Day was created through Administrative Order No. 202 issued in October 2007 by President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo. The IAC is composed of the following members:

1. Philippine Migrants Rights Watch (Chair)
2. Commission on Filipinos Overseas (Co-Chair)
3. Department of Foreign Affairs
4. Department of Migrant Workers
5. Department of Labor and Employment
6. Department of Health
7. Department of Tourism
8. Department of the Interior and Local Government
9. Department of Trade and Industry
10. Department of social Welfare and Development
11. Office of the Press Secretary

12. National Commission for Culture and the Arts
13. Film Development Council of the Philippines
14. Overseas Workers Welfare Administration
15. Philippine Overseas Employment Administration
16. National Reintegration Center for OFWs
17. Philippine Health Insurance Corporation
18. Pag-IBIG Home Development Mutual Fund
19. Social Security System
20. Technical Education and Skills Development Authority
21. Bureau of Immigration
22. Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines
23. League of Provinces of the Philippines
24. League of Cities of the Philippines
25. League of Municipalities of the Philippines
26. Philippine Migration Research Network
27. Migrant Forum in Asia

The IAC is tasked to come up with activities for the MOF celebration.

The MOF theme for 2022 is “Global Compact for Migration: Hakbang tungo sa Pagsulong ng mga Karapatan ng Overseas Filipinos.” This is in support of the GCM, the first inter-governmentally negotiated agreement, prepared under the auspices of the United Nations, covering all dimensions of international migration in a holistic and comprehensive manner. The Philippines is committed to cooperate internationally to facilitate safe, orderly and regular migration.



## II. PREPARATORY MEETINGS BY IAC-MOF

The IAC-MOF conducted seven preparatory hybrid meetings for 2022.



Meeting	Venue	Date
1 <sup>st</sup> IAC-MOF Meeting	National Commission for Culture and the Arts, Manila	April 21, 2022
2 <sup>nd</sup> IAC-MOF Meeting	Presidential Communications Operations Office, Manila	June 22, 2022
3 <sup>rd</sup> IAC-MOF Meeting	Department of Health, Manila	July 21, 2022
4 <sup>th</sup> IAC-MOF Meeting	Commission on Filipinos Overseas, Manila	August 30, 2022
5 <sup>th</sup> IAC-MOF Meeting	Department of Foreign Affairs, Pasay	September 19, 2022
6 <sup>th</sup> IAC-MOF Meeting	National Reintegration Center for OFWs, Intramuros, Manila	October 27, 2022
7 <sup>th</sup> IAC-MOF Meeting	Social Security System, Quezon City	November 23, 2022

## III. MOF BANNER

### A. MOF BANNER AND TARPAULIN



The MOF Banner depicts the importance of Global Compact on Migration in advocating for the rights and welfare of overseas Filipinos (represented by hand fists). The elements of migration is represented through the important landmarks of major destination countries of OFs, airplanes and ships, and overseas Filipinos.

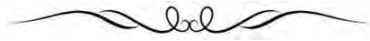
## IV. 2022 MOF ACTIVITIES

The IAC-MOF organized for main activities and supported 9 activities of member agencies for the 2022 MOF Celebration.

Activity	Date	Organizer	No. of Participants
<b>1. Migrant Fair in Zamboanga City</b>	<b>November 10, 2022</b>	IAC-MOF in partnership with City Government of Zamboanga	250
<b>2. Virtual International Forum on Migration in the United Kingdom and Ireland</b>	<b>November 19, 2022</b>	IAC-MOF in partnership with Philippine Embassy and POLO London	4,000
<b>3. Migrant Fair in Cagayan</b>	<b>December 2, 2022</b>	IAC-MOF in partnership with Provincial Government of Cagayan	200
<b>4. SSS OFW Day, SSS, Quezon City</b>	<b>December 6, 2022</b>	SSS	150
<b>5. 5th National Conference On Migrant Health, Manila</b>	<b>December 7, 2022</b>	DOH, PMHN	85
<b>6. Infomercial on DFA'S Repatriation Efforts</b>	<b>December 13, 2022</b>	DFA	1,700
<b>7. National Forum on Migration, Manila Hotel</b>	<b>December 15, 2022</b>	IAC-MOF in partnership with DOJ-IACAT	200
<b>8. Quezon City Migrant Fair</b>	<b>December 16, 2022</b>	Quezon City LGU	1,000
<b>9. Film Showing of Anak, Manila</b>	<b>December 18, 2022</b>	FDCCP and NCCA	30
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>7,615</b>

# 1. MIGRANT FAIR IN ZAMBOANGA CITY

November 10, 2022



**MONTH OF OVERSEAS FILIPINOS  
MIGRANT FAIR 2022  
IN ZAMBOANGA CITY**

A tribute and public service for overseas Filipinos and their families

November 10, 2022 (Thursday), 8AM to 5PM  
Gymnasium, Western Mindanao State University,  
Normal Road, Baliwasan, Zamboanga City

ORGANIZED BY:

The IAC-MOF and the City Government of Zamboanga successfully conducted the 2022 Migrant Fair on November 10, 2022 held at the Gymnasium of the Western Mindanao State University (WMSU), Zamboanga City. In Region 9, Zamboanga del Sur is the leading province with the most number of migrants.

More than 200 OFWs, migrant returnees and their families attended the event. The Migrant Fair was an early Christmas gift by the Philippine government and migrant civil society for them, in honor of their hard work, sacrifices and significant contributions to national development.

The kick-off activity for the 2022 MOF Celebration, the Migrant Fair is a convergence activity at the local level of migrant serving agencies and organizations headed by the Philippine Migrants Rights Watch, Commission on Filipinos Overseas, Department of Health and Overseas Workers Welfare Administration. Other participating agencies include Department of Foreign Affairs, Department of Migrant Workers/Philippine Overseas Employment Administration, Department of Tourism, Department of Trade and Industry, Department of Social Welfare Development, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Technical Education and Skills and Development Authority, Social Security System, PhilHealth, Pag-IBIG, and International Organization for Migration.



Mayor John Dalipe of the City Government of Zamboanga fully supported the event and met with the IAC members for final preparation on November 9, 2022 at the City Hall.

Resource speakers for the event include Ms. Carmelita Nuqui of PMRW and Chair of IAC-MOF; Usec. Abdulgani M. Macatoman, OIC-Chairperson of CFO and co-Chair of IAC-MOF; Mr. Amado Natividad of the City Government of Zamboanga who represented Mayor Dalipe; and Dr. Maria Soledad Q. Antonio of the Department of Health. They hailed our modern day heroes for being partners in nation-building and encouraged the participants to avail all the services housed under one roof.

Participants, who were mostly affected by Typhoon Paeng a week prior, were happy for the whole day activity prepared for them, and queued in various booths of participating agencies and exhibitors. Services provided to them include basic medical check-up, health promotional and wellness activities, COVID-19 vaccination and booster shot, giving of vitamins, massage, manicure, pedicure, haircut, demo on baking, photo booth and consultation and frontline services from migrant-serving agencies. They were also treated to several freebies, food and raffle prizes.

OWWA Region 9 shared thru videos, inspiring stories of former OFWs who successfully reintegrated back to the Philippines and are now engaged in professional endeavors and flourishing business. They include Jopar Espino from Pagadian City, Jocelyn Barite and David Alvie Camin from Labason, Janice Tingson from Ipil, and Irene Panes from Labuan. Their experiences have touched and inspired the lives of their fellow OFWs.

DTI Region 9 and OWWA also mounted a mini Trade Fair showcasing food products and merchandise of former OFWs and their families, assisted by these agencies in setting up or upscaling their business. Exhibitors include Ruru Mushrooms by Rubylyzle Alrayes, Gab's Creation Handicraft by Shalimar Lutian, JV and Bellyn Cakes of Elaine Cruz, Jing Homemade Products by Jing Rizada, Little Treats by Rowena Eraham, Kape Larawan by Philip Enriquez and Ariel Temple, and Small OFW Business by Berkis Dacoycoy.

The event was hosted by Erwin Paul David of Pag-IBIG Fund and Vivien Potencio of OWWA.













## 2. Virtual International Forum on Migration in the United Kingdom and Ireland

November 19, 2022

**VIRTUAL INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON MIGRATION IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND IRELAND**

A tribute to overseas Filipinos and their families

**19 November 2022, Saturday**  
**9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (London time)**  
**5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (Philippine time)**

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

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[bit.ly/MOFVirtualForum2022](https://bit.ly/MOFVirtualForum2022)

ORGANIZED BY:

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The IAC-MOF in partnership with the Philippine Embassy and Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO) London successfully conducted the “Virtual International Forum on Migration in UK and Ireland” via Zoom and Facebook Live on November 19, 2022.

With the theme “Global Compact for Migration: Hakbang tungo sa Pagsulong ng mga Karapatan ng Overseas Filipinos”, the webinar was attended by members of overseas Filipino

communities in UK and Ireland. These countries are among the top destination countries of overseas Filipinos, notably healthcare workers, in Europe.

The virtual event was graced by Usec. Abdulgani M. Macatoman, OIC-Chairperson of the Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO); Ms. Carmelita Nuqui, President of the Philippine Migrants Rights Watch (PMRW) and Chair of the IAC-MOF; Charge d'Affaires Rhenita Rodriguez of the Philippine Embassy London; and Labor Attache Ameurfin R. Reyes of POLO-UK. They hailed our overseas Filipinos and their families for their invaluable support to Philippine development, and for their myriad contributions to the economies and societies of their host countries. They also highlighted programs and services of the government for the benefit and welfare of overseas Filipinos, including activities organized by the IAC-MOF for the 2022 MOF Celebration.

The first part of the webinar tackled the newly created Department of Migrant Workers (DMW) and programs and services of the government for overseas Filipinos. Philippine-based resource speakers under this session include Usec. Maria Anthonette C. Velasco-Allones of the Department of Migrant Workers (DMW) who discussed the thrust, programs and services of the newly created Department; Asec. Venecio V. Legapi of the DMW who discussed reintegration services of the NRCO and the reintegration roadmap of the new Department for returning/ repatriated OFWs; Mr. Michael Angelo D. Roaring of the Department of Trade and Industry who discussed the different programs and services of DTI for OFs who want to engage in business; and Dir. Marita del Rosario-Apattad of CFO who discussed the diaspora philanthropy program of CFO for overseas Filipinos who would like to give back, volunteer or donate to the motherland.

The second part of the webinar targeted Filipinos who plan or are interested to migrate and work in the UK and Ireland. Under this session, Ms. Tanya Dewey of the Migration and Borders Group – UK Home Office and Mr. Stephen Walsh of the Embassy of Ireland discussed the Immigration system of UK and Ireland, including visa types and tips in successfully applying for a visa.

The third part of the webinar highlighted the initiatives and concerns of the Filipino community and organizations thru the presentations of Mr. Christian Estrada, Chair of the European Network of Filipino Diaspora; Ms. Irene Jagoba and Mel Morano of the Migrants Rights Center – Ireland; Mr. Ariel Lanada, President of the Filipino Nurses Association – UK; and Mr. Oliver Soriano, President of the Philippine Nurses Association – UK.

The last part of the webinar showcased the success and inspiring stories of overseas Filipinos. They include Ms. May Richell Parsons of the University Hospital Coventry and Warwickshire National Health Service Trust, and known as the Filipino-British nurse who administered world's first COVID vaccine; Dr. Cristina Juan, Project Head of the Philippines Studies of SOAS

University London; and Ms. Liza Libawan Nael, a graduate of POLO-OWWA London Livelihood Training Program and now a proud owner of Mama Liz Bakes.

During the open forum, the following questions and issues were raised – kind of assistance given to first-time migrants in the host country, process of acquiring CFO sticker by marriage migrants, reintegration program for long-time and distressed returnees, how to appeal a denied visa application, visa extension process, case of Filipino dual-citizens working in Philippine government offices, and pension and healthcare benefits for migrant returnees, among others.

The virtual participants were also treated to a soulful song rendition from Haraya Choir (Filipino Health Worker – Nurses), and colourful ethnic dance from the prestigious Bayanihan, the National Folk Dance Company of the Philippines. The latter was sponsored by the National Commission for Culture and the Arts.

The webinar was moderated by Mr. Lance Velasco of PMRW and Vice Consul Beatriz Martinez of PE London. It was attended by more than 200 estimated live viewers; and has almost 4,000 views.





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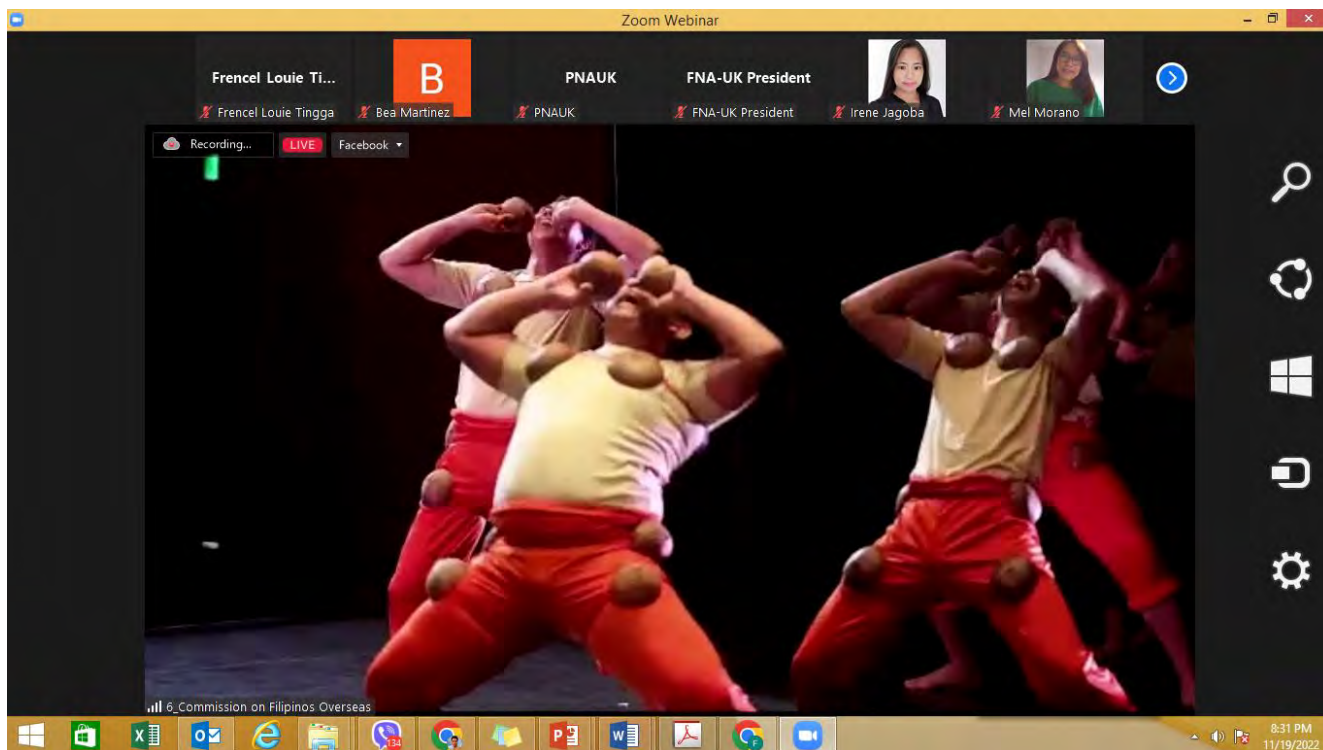
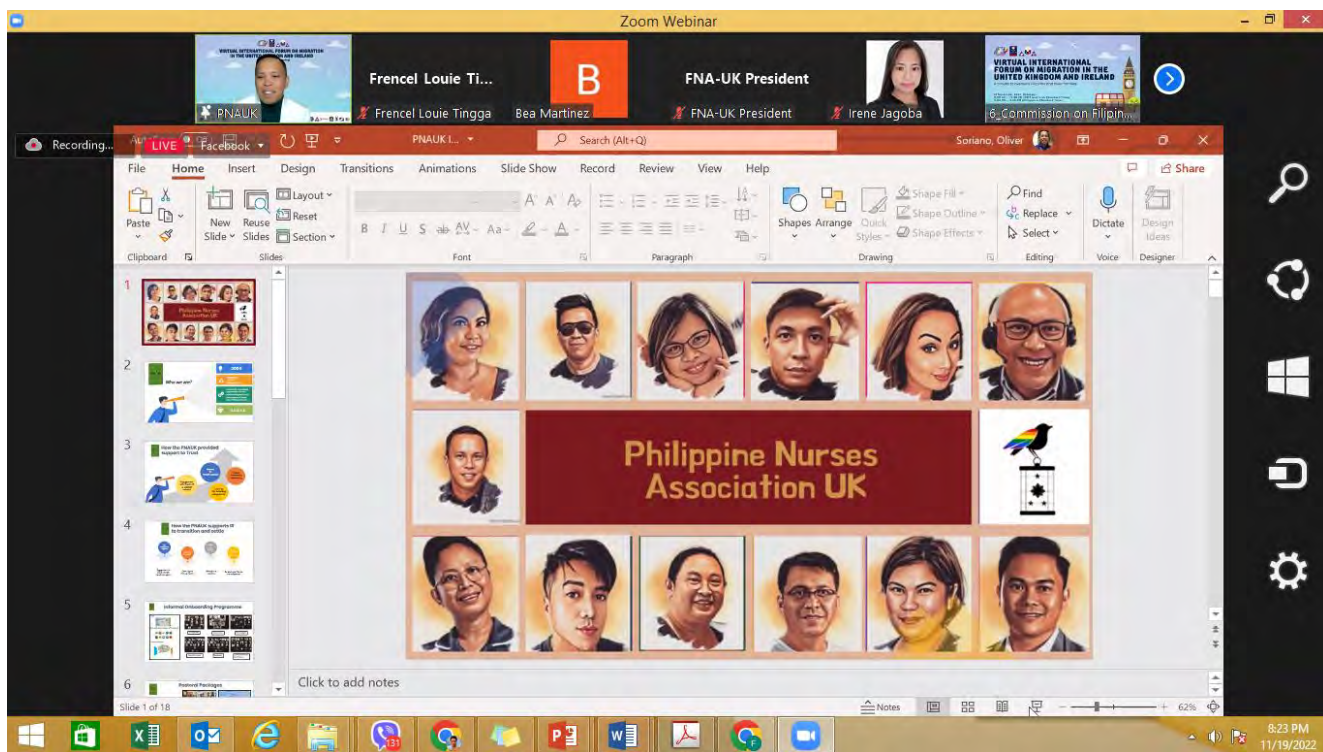
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### 3. MIGRANT FAIR IN CAGAYAN

November 10, 2022





## MONTH OF OVERSEAS FILIPINOS MIGRANT FAIR 2022 IN CAGAYAN

A tribute and public service for overseas Filipinos and their families

December 2, 2022 (Friday), 8AM to 5PM  
Cagayan Coliseum, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan



**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

ORGANIZED BY:



A day of “endless fun” was experienced by more than 200 overseas Filipinos and their families who participated in the Migrant Fair in Cagayan on December 2, 2022 at the Cagayan Coliseum, Tuguegarao City.



The event was organized by the IAC-MOF headed by the Philippine Migrants Rights Watch and Commission on Filipinos Overseas, Department of Health, and Overseas Workers Welfare Administration in partnership with the Provincial Government of Cagayan. Cagayan is the leading origin province of OFs and OFWs in the Cagayan Valley Region.

The Migrant Fair is a convergence activity at the local level of migrant serving agencies and organizations, which aim to honor and bring services closer to the migrants and their families.

The event was graced by Provincial Administrator Atty. Maria Rosario-Villaflor, representing Cagayan Governor Manuel N. Mamba, and Chief of Staff Atty. Renz Umambong representing Tuguegarao Mayor Maila Rosario Ting-Que. They thanked the OFWs and their families and hoped that migration will eventually become a choice and not a necessity for the people of Cagayan. That's why the LGU is also working hard to provide the people with necessary jobs with decent wages and livelihood opportunities, including the plan of developing "Cagayan International Gateway", so they won't be forced to leave the country anymore. They highlighted that the LGU is the national government's partner in advancing and promoting the welfare of OFWs.

IAC-MOF Chair Carmelita G. Nuqui of PMRW and co-Chair Usec. Abdulgani M. Macatoman of the CFO, DOH Regional Director Dr. Amelita M. Pangilinan and ARD Dr. Mar Wynn Bello also greeted and honored the OFs and the participants thru their respective video and actual messages.

Participating agencies which set up booth and provided frontline and consultation services and freebies, include CFO, Department of Foreign Affairs, Department of Labor and Employment, DOH, Department of Tourism, Department of Trade and Industry, Department of Social Welfare and Development, OWWA, Philippine Health Insurance Corporation, Pag-IBIG Home Development Mutual Fund, Social Security System, Technical Education and Skills Development Authority, and the Provincial Government. Participants were pampered with free hand and foot spa, manicure, pedicure, massage; given COVID-19 vaccine and booster shot, basic health services and laboratory tests; offered with vocational course scholarships, and free legal counseling; among others.

DTI also mounted a mini-trade exhibit, showcasing bags, local handicrafts, and food products of OFW families and returnees, cooperatives with OFW members, as well as indigenous people, seniors and inmates from Cagayan Valley.

To inspire OFW families to invest, former OFWs assisted by DTI and OWWA shared their success stories of reintegration. They include Ms. Susan T. Pagulayan (owner of Susan's Bakeshop in Piat), Mr. Gabriel Agustin (owner of a restaurant and catering service in Baggao),



Ms. Linda Gumiho (General Manager, Diadi OFW Multi-Purpose Cooperative), and Ms. Cristeta Ignacio (Manager, Quirino OFW Credit Cooperative).

OWWA also awarded checks for the Region 2 recipients of their financial assistance programs - “Balik Pinas! Balik Hanapbuhay! Program”, “Tulong PUSO Program for OFWs”, and “Welfare Assistance Program”.

Participants were treated to cultural dance performances, and song numbers from Cagayan State University, CFO, and DOH. And for the finale, raffle prizes – bags of rice, health kits, agency giveaways, and home appliances courtesy of IAC-MOF members - were given to lucky winners. It was indeed a fun and meaningful day for the bagong bayani of Cagayan and their families.

The event was hosted by Mr. Deejay Lumanog and Ms. Pamela Faye Perez of DOH and Ms. Jennifer Tanguilan of PhilHealth. It’s a tribute and early Christmas gift of the IAC-MOF for the migrants and their families in Cagayan.







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## 4. SSS OFW DAY

December 6, 2022



In line with its 65th Anniversary Celebration, the Social Security System (SSS) organized the OFW Day on December 6, 2022 at Ramon Magsaysay Hall, SSS Building, Diliman, Quezon City.

With an estimated 150 attendees, the celebration was a treat to SSS-OFW members and beneficiaries, and honored the sacrifices and contributions of OFWs to Motherland. The event was graced by SSS President Michael Regino and Department of Migrant Workers (DMW) Secretary Susan “Toots” Ople. Resource speakers also include CFO OIC-Chairperson Abdulgani Macatoman who presented the PESO Sense, the CFO’s financial literacy program; and Ms. Elma P Viray of the Department of Trade and Industry, who presented DTI programs and services, including business and investment opportunities for migrants and their families.

Prior to the start of the program, the attendees were able to avail of the booth services from various agencies such as the CFO, SSS, DTI, PNB, OF Bank, Postal ID, iRemit, Sterling Bank, and Smart/PLDT.











## 5. 5TH NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MIGRANT HEALTH

December 7, 2022



More than 80 participants attended the 5th National Conference on Migrant Health held at the Swiss-Belhotel Blulane, Sta. Cruz, Manila with a theme: “Transitioning to a Better Normal: Renewing Commitments and Building Resiliency for Migrant Health”.

The Conference was organized by the Department of Health, through the Migrant Health Unit of the Bureau of International Health Cooperation, in collaboration with the Philippine Migrant Health Network (PMHN), a multisectoral collaborative body composed of members from government agencies, civil society organizations, private sector, academe and development partners.

Resource speakers include and Dr. Maria Soledad Q. Antonio and Dr. Joel Buenaventura of DOH, Asec. Paul Raymund Cortes of DFA, Asec. Venecio Legaspi and Asec. Jerome Alcantara of DMW, Ms. Carmelita Nuqui of PMRW, Dr. Renzo Guinto of St. Luke’s Medical Center, Prof. Stella Go of PMRN, and Ms. Ellene Sana of Center for Migrant Advocacy.

The Conference served as a platform for PMHN members and other participants to discuss the current situation, challenges and developments relating to migration and health. The PMHN

seeks to share experience and best practices on their work to promote and protect the welfare of migrants and their families. Further, discussions include mainstreaming the Health Agenda in the Migration Sector Plans, institutionalizing a responsive and migrant-sensitive health system and lobby and advocate support for migrant health programs.

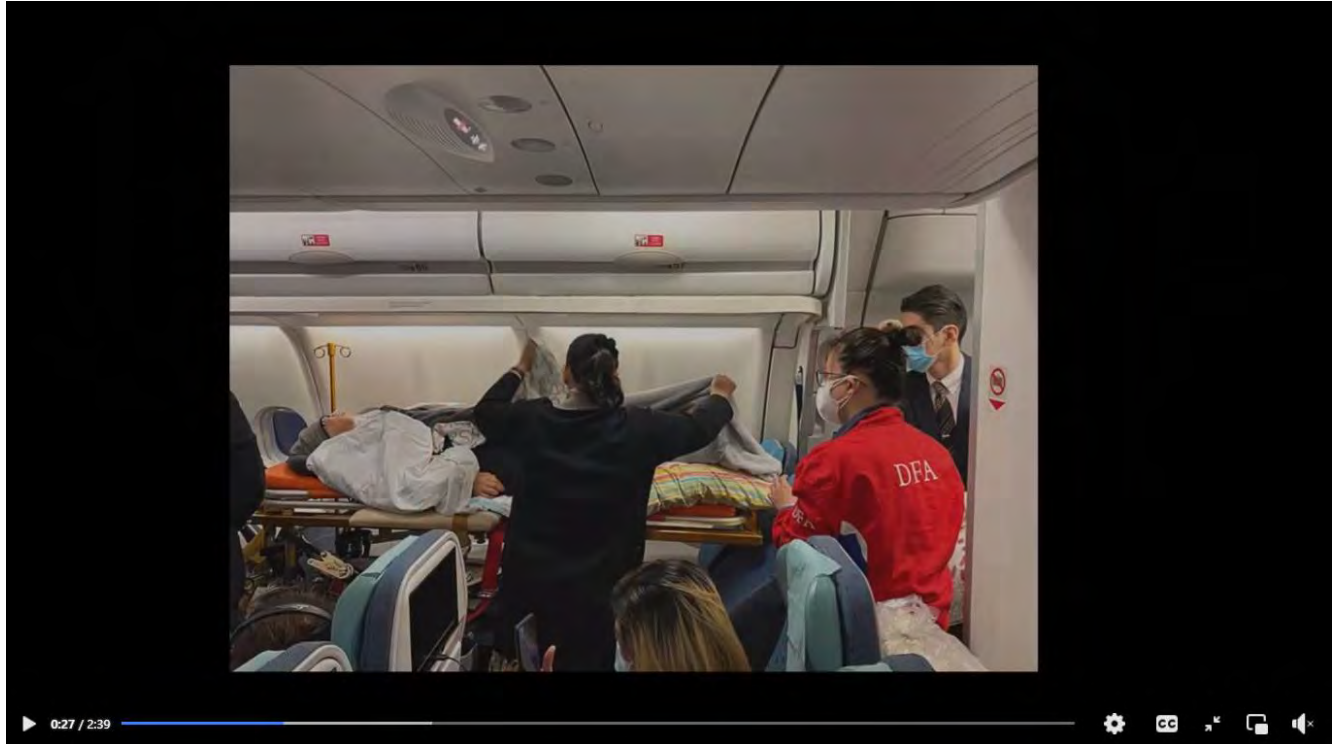






## 6. INFOMERCIAL ON DFA'S REPATRIATION EFFORTS

December 13, 2022



On December 13, 2022, the Department of Foreign Affairs launched an infomercial on the repatriation services for OFWs. The infomercial is in line with the celebration of MOF, and takes a glimpse into a repatriation flight which is one of the services the DFA offers to our kababayans abroad.

The infomercial may be accessed at FB: [https://fb.watch/hnHf\\_740ZZ/](https://fb.watch/hnHf_740ZZ/), TW: <https://twitter.com/DFAPHL/status/1602507299016544256?s=19>, and YT: <https://youtu.be/gG9JW8hfQiw>.

It has more than 1,700 views.



## 7. NATIONAL FORUM ON MIGRATION

December 15, 2022



The Global Compact on Migration (GCM) takes center stage during the recently concluded MOF National Forum on Migration held at the historic Manila Hotel on December 15, 2022.

The culminating event of the 2022 Month of Overseas Filipinos (MOF) and International Migrants Day Celebration, the National Forum gathered more than 200 participants and stakeholders from the Philippine migration sector, including overseas Filipinos and their

families. It was organized by the IAC-MOF led by the Philippine Migrants Rights Watch and the Commission on Filipinos Overseas, in partnership with the Department of Justice-Inter-Agency Council Against Trafficking (DOJ-IACAT).

This year's MOF theme is "GCM: Hakbang Tungo sa Pagsulong ng Karapatan ng mga Overseas Filipinos". GCM is the first inter-governmentally negotiated agreement, prepared under the auspices of the United Nations, covering all dimensions of international migration in a holistic and comprehensive manner adopted in 2018. The Philippines and the IAC members have demonstrated strong commitment to cooperate internationally to this Global Compact to facilitate safe, orderly and regular migration.

The event was graced by Ms. Carmelita Nuqui of Philippine Migrants Rights Watch and Chair of the IAC-MOF, Usec. Abdulgani Macatoman of the Commission on Filipinos Overseas, and Usec. Eduardo Jose A. De Vega of the Department of Foreign Affairs.

In their respective messages, Ms. Nuqui gave an overview of the MOF celebration and the series of activities organized by the IAC for migrants and their families in Zamboanga City, Cagayan and the UK and Ireland. She highlighted the stakeholders' responsibility in providing assistance to overseas Filipinos and making their programs and services readily available to them. Usec. Macatoman, on the other hand, declared CFO's support to the GCM, which aims to explore the ways governments can improve upon existing intergovernmental approaches to migration while keeping migrants and their human rights the highest priority. He also presented some of the CFO programs and services for migrants and their families such as PDOS, BaLinkBayan, Peso Sense Financial Literacy Program, Ugnayan with Filcom, YouLead, 1343 Actionline Against Trafficking, among others. He said that the latest pronouncement of President Bongbong Marcos urges OFWs to explore business opportunities in the country as an alternative to employment abroad and continue to contribute to the economy, especially now that the country is still recovering from the global pandemic.

The GCM comprises 23 objectives for better managing migration from the local to global levels. Attainment of these objectives were tackled by resource speakers from the government, private sector and civil society group. Usec. de Vega shared updates on the implementation of the GCM, stating that while the pact is non-binding and respects the sovereign rights of each state, the Philippines has been a GCM champion country and has strongly shown its commitment by making migration governance part of the Philippine Development Plan, and through the passage of RA 11641 or the creation of the Department of Migrant Workers (DMW). The newly created Department is now headed by Sec. Susan "Toots" Ople.

Senior Asst. State Prosecutor Lilian Doris S. Alejo of DOJ-IACAT demonstrated how the Philippines is serious in fighting human trafficking by discussing the salient features of RA 11862 or Strengthening of Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act. The law gives authorities additional

tools to battle human trafficking, particularly against the use of the internet and digital platforms to commit crimes. The Philippines has maintained its Tier 1 ranking for seven consecutive years thanks to the holistic efforts of the IACAT. This signifies that the government fully met the minimum standards for the elimination of trafficking in persons under the US government standards.

Dir. Ma. Teresa B. Capa of the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration-NCR presented AVP of the OWWA programs and services for their members and their dependents and beneficiaries.

Ms. Raquel Bracero, President of the Philippine Association of Service Exporters, Inc. (PASEI) discussed how their organization has among the best practices for the ethical recruitment of OFWs. She gave assurance that PASEI is a partner of the Philippine government in the fight against illegal recruitment and human trafficking.

Ms. Ellene Sana of the Center for Migrant Advocacy (CMA) shared the important role of civil society organizations as relevant stakeholder for social change, and their participation in the crafting and implementation of GCM – from informing, consulting, and advocating especially at the grassroots level.

To inspire OFW family participants to invest and get into business, two OFW returnees from Saudi Arabia shared their success stories - Ms. Almira Diauna now a radio announcer and owner of the agri-tourism farm site of edible fern (pako), the first in Dingalan, Aurora; and Mr. Eduardo Cortez, 2018 Model OFW Family (MOFYA) awardee who had food business and involved in outreach programs in far-flung communities in the country.

During the open forum, issues discussed include medical and health benefits for OWWA members especially for returnees and retirees, how OFs can contribute to the attainment of GCM, clarification on the new age cap set for domestic workers which is 24 years old, and how to make DFA's Report to Congress publicly accessible.

Participants were also treated to sumptuous buffet lunch, song performances, and freebies and raffle prizes courtesy of the IAC members. This is IAC's tribute for the heroism and sacrifices of our bagong bayani, who have always been dependable partners in nation-building and Philippine development.

The event was hosted by Mr. Erwin Paul David of the Pag-IBIG Fund.













## 8. QUEZON CITY MIGRANT FAIR

December 16, 2022

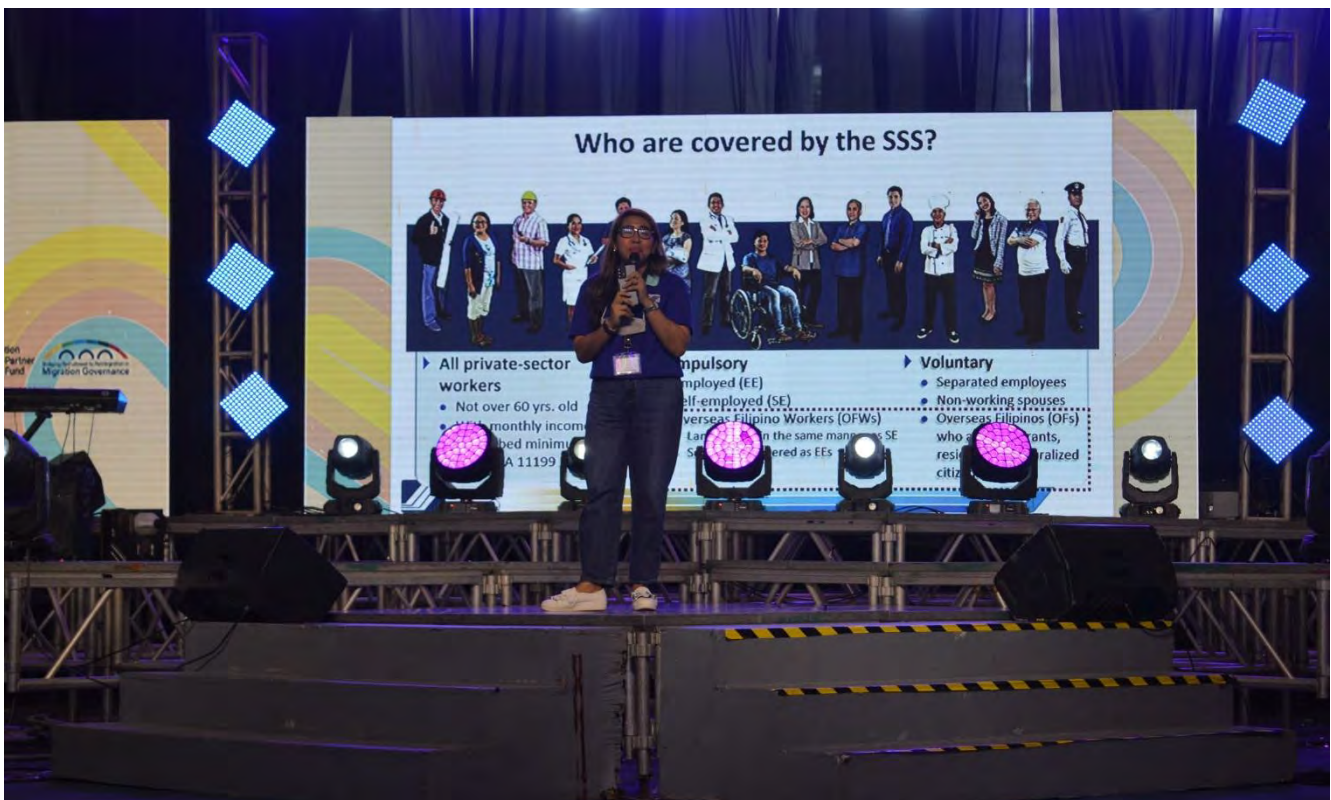


On December 16, 2022, the City Government of Quezon City organized the first Migrant Fair in the City with a theme “Pamilyang OFW, May Tahanan at Kaagapay ka sa Kyusi” at the Quezon City Memorial Circle.

The first part of the program focused on capacity development orientation with a topic on Social Protection. Resource speakers include representatives from SSS, Philhealth, Pag-ibig Fund, and Center for Migrant Advocacy. Booths, participated by migrant-serving agencies, NGOs and private sector, also provided information materials and services to participants. The second part of the program was a cultural concert led by local artists Gary Granada, Peta Choir, Chickoy Pura, Bayang Barrios At Ang Naliyagan, and Ang Tao sa Tao!

An estimated 1,000 participants, composed mainly of OFW family members from Quezon City attended.













## 9. FILM SHOWING OF “ANAK”

December 18, 2022



In time for the celebration of the Month of Overseas Filipinos and International Migrants Day, the Film Development Council of the Philippines and National Commission for Culture and the Arts, sponsored a one-time screening of ANAK on December 18, 2022 at Metropolitan Theater, Manila.

Starring Vilma Santos and Claudine Barretto and directed by Rory B. Quintos, the award-winning and digitally restored 2000 film classic features the bittersweet family story of a domestic worker from Hong Kong who returns to be with her children in the Philippines. It



explores the sacrifices and hardship faced by OFWs abroad, and the social costs of migration for families left behind.

The film showing had an estimated 30 viewers.

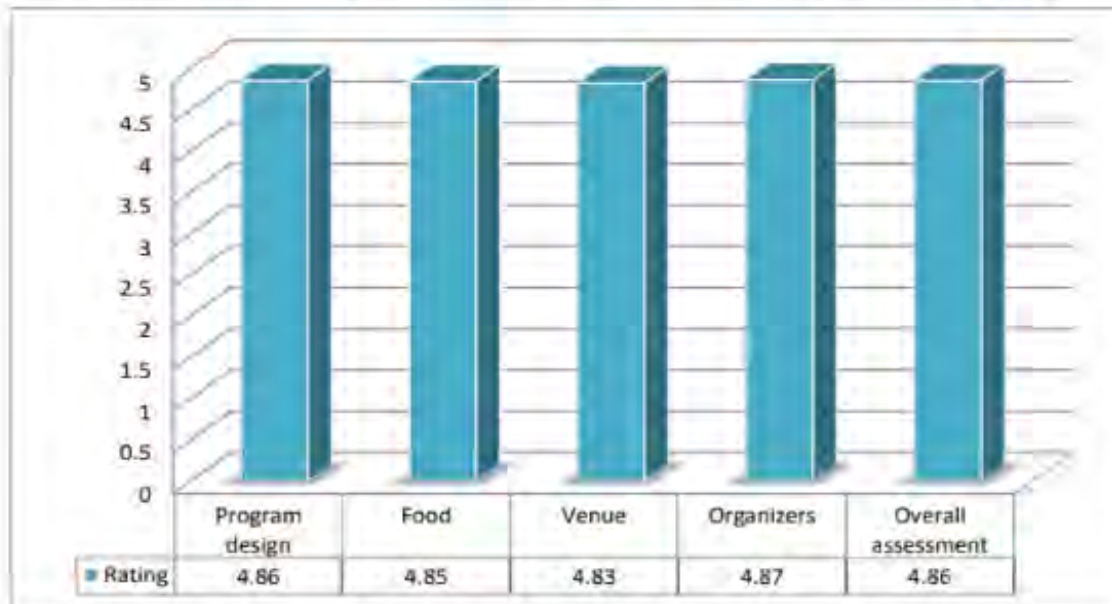


## V. ACTIVITY EVALUATION

The activities organized by the IAC-MOF generally have favorable rating from the participants.

### CLIENT SATISFACTION RESULTS FOR THE MOF MIGRANT FAIR IN ZAMBOANGA

November 10, 2022 | Western Mindanao State University, Zamboanga City



*30 respondents (printed feedback forms)*

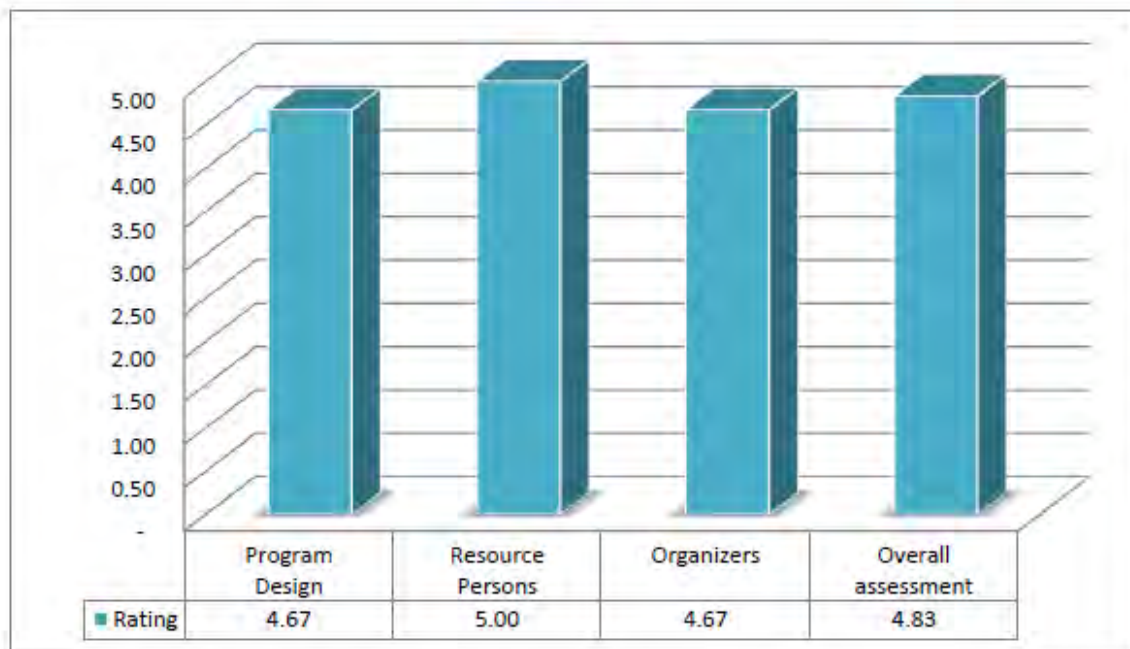
*Satisfaction rate: 4.86 (97.2%)*

COMMENTS/SUGGESTION	ACTIONS TAKEN (IF NECESSARY)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you so much! I'm so happy I'm here attending the Migrant Fair. Kahit malayo man ang lugar ko, sulit naman ang pagpunta ko. Free food at may dalang bigas at panalo pa. More blessings.</li> <li>• Masaya po ako sa mga tulong na naibigay sa amin.</li> <li>• Thankful for the opportunity.</li> <li>• Masaya at mababait ang mga organizers.</li> <li>• Thank you po I'm so happy. First time po ako nag attend. Kahit hindi ako nanalo okay lang at least happy po.</li> <li>• Amazing prizes and exciting event. The food given was excellent. Well organized</li> <li>• Very nice prizes and organized event.</li> <li>• We need more OFW programs and cash assistance</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	<p>All the comments were noted by the Secretariat.</p>



**CLIENT SATISFACTION RESULTS FOR THE  
Month of Overseas Filipinos Virtual International Forum on  
Migration in UK and Ireland**

19 November 2022 | 5:00PM – 9:30PM  
via Zoom Meeting and CFO Facebook Live

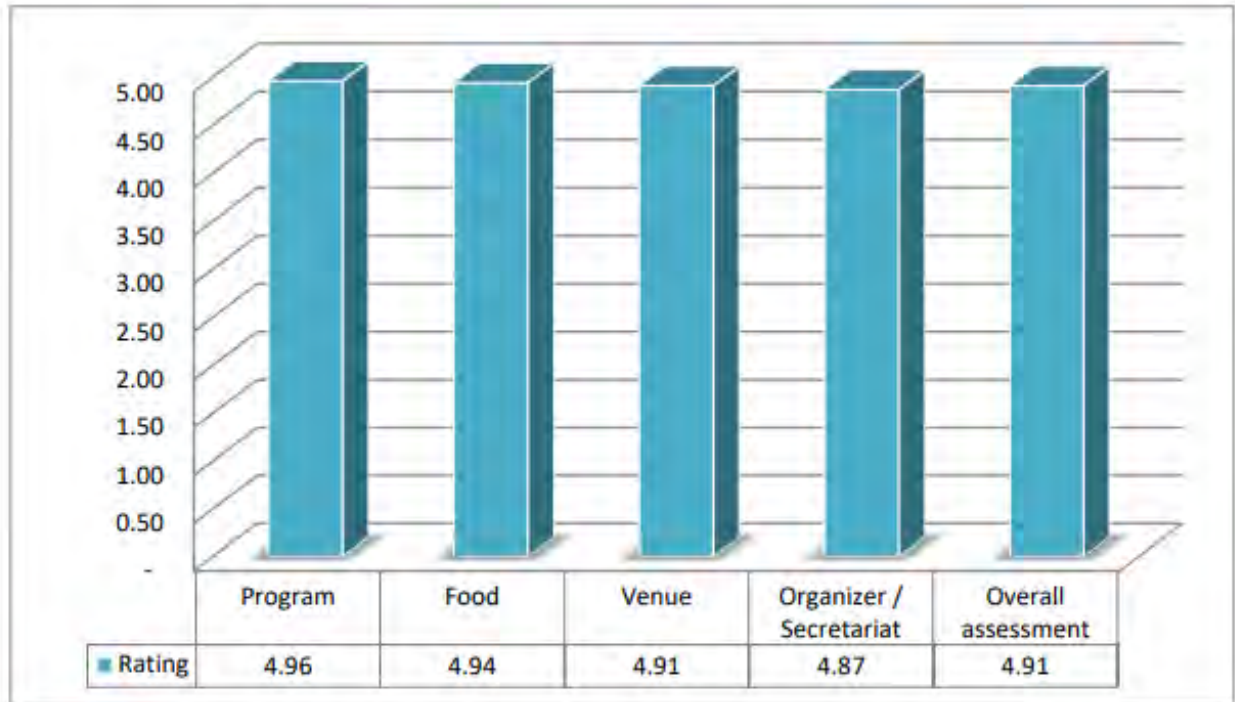


*6 respondents (online feedback system)*

*Satisfaction rate: 4.79 (95.85%)*

## CLIENT SATISFACTION RESULTS FOR THE 2022 Month of Overseas Filipinos Migrant Fair in Cagayan

03 December 2022 | 8:00AM – 4:00PM  
Cagayan Coliseum, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan



*46 respondents (online feedback system)*

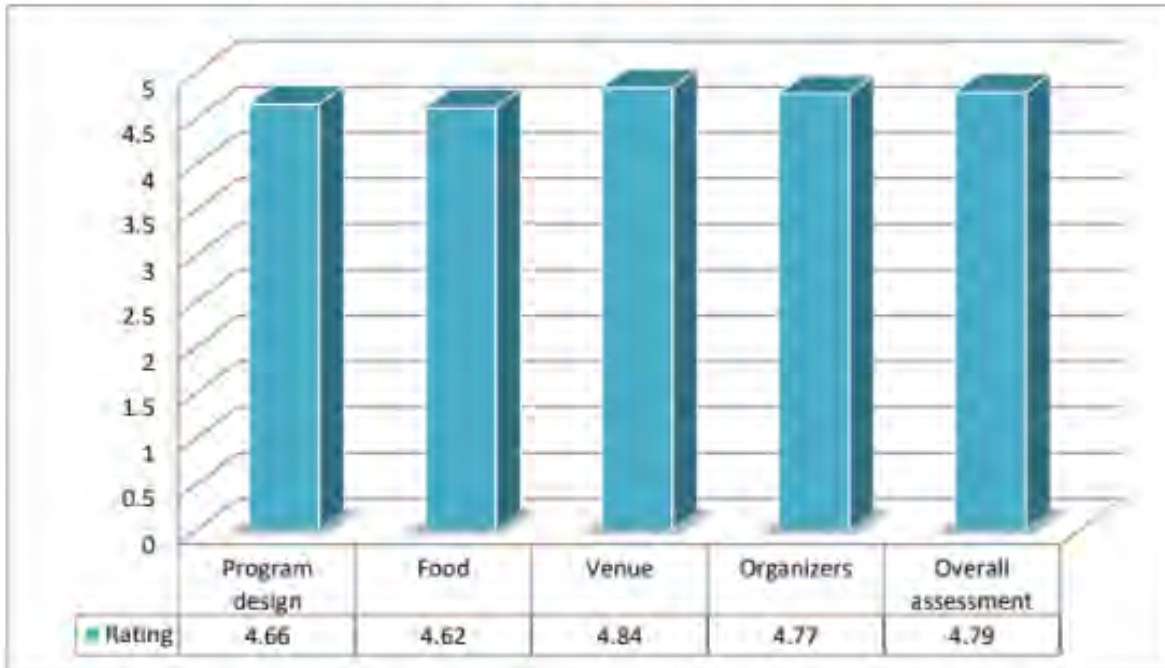
*Satisfaction rate: 4.92 (98.36%)*

FAVORABLE COMMENTS	ACTIONS TAKEN (IF NECESSARY)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Excellent program and event. Thank you very much!</li> <li>Sana laptop nakuha ko para sa school ng anak ko.</li> <li>Thank you very much!!!</li> <li>Very good</li> <li>Perfect!</li> <li>Satisfied!</li> <li>Very good! Well done!</li> <li>Thank you po! God Bless you more - all agencies!</li> </ul>	



## CLIENT SATISFACTION RESULTS FOR THE MOF NATIONAL FORUM ON MIGRATION 2022

December 15, 2022 | The Manila Hotel, Pasay City



107 respondents (printed feedback forms)

Satisfaction rate: 4.736 (94.72%)

COMMENTS/SUGGESTION	ACTIONS TAKEN (IF NECESSARY)
<p><b>Positive Feedback</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maganda ang topic, maayos ang pagkain, masaya at kagigiliwan puntahan ng mga bisita.</li> <li>• Absolutely organized. Thank you very much.</li> <li>• Well-prepared and hospitable. Many thanks.</li> <li>• Well-organized po ang event.</li> <li>• Well-organized and maraming mga bagay po akong natutunan.</li> <li>• Good commentator at high aircon. The speakers are mostly good and presentable.</li> <li>• Ang ganda ng pag-organize. Lahat OK.</li> <li>• Thank you for another interesting and helpful forum.</li> <li>• Napakaganda lahat ng paliwanag.</li> <li>• Interesting topics for OFW</li> <li>• The event is very interesting.</li> <li>• The event was very informative.</li> </ul>	<p>All the comments were noted by the Secretariat and will be discussed in the next IAC-MOF Meeting.</p>

- Very informative. Thank you for inviting us!
- Clear and understandable.
- Thank you. Best venue.
- Thank you very much. Very knowledgeable.
- More National Forum.
- Thanks for inviting me. A wonderful place and very nice.
- Thanks for having this forum. See you again. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. God bless you all!
- Everything is okay. Very helpful and informative.
- Thank you for inviting us.
- Thank you for having us. God bless you po.
- God bless. Thank you po.
- Keep up the good work.
- Very satisfactory.
- Well done! Great.
- Everything is excellent.
- Excellent.
- It's okay.
- Thank you, successful.
- Thank you.
- Congratulations!
- Salamat po!
- Very good and thank you.
- More power!
- Congrats very informative.

**Suggestions for Improvements**

- Speakers are well-versed in their respective topics – very informative. However, there seems to be lacking in terms of the updating of Philippines' response to GCM. Thank you for organizing this event.
- Maybe next time it would be best to have a supervised buffet because most of the food were no longer available when it was my turn, esp. the desserts. But overall, the event was well-planned and executed.
- Masyado malakas ang aircon.
- Sana mas marami pa kayong mainvite para mas marami nakakaalam sa ginagawa ng government para sa OFW sa kanilang magandang tagumpay kasama ng pamilya.



<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Perhaps there is a need to change the format and the celebration of the International Migrants' Day.</li><li>• For the organizer, thank you. Yet needed to be at the venue at least 30 mins earlier for the early birds. An early invitation is an act of charity as well. Thank you.</li><li>• Buffet should be organized. The one CR that has bidet doesn't work properly. But overall, is okay.</li></ul>	
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